August 13, 1976

Memorandum

Confidential Claim Retracted

To:

Superintendent, Southern Pueblos Agency,

BIA, Albuquerque, New Mexico

Date: 6/26/13

Authorized by: SC

From:

Acting Area Mining Supervisor, SRMA,

USGS, Carlsbad, New Mexico

Subject: The Anaconda Company's Proposed Mining and Reclamation

Plan for the P-15 and P-17 Mines (Underground Uranius)

on Laguna Uranium Mining Lease 4

Mr. Stewart and I were pleased to attend the Laguna Tribal Council meeting of July 27, 1976. We felt that it was a productive meeting which created a better understanding of the concerns, capabilities, responsibilities, and procedures of the parties involved.

We are also pleased to inform you that we are able to respond favorably to your request of July 29, 1976. Accordingly, two copies of our Environmental Analysis of the subject plan are enclosed for review by your office and the Pueblo of Laguna in the preparation of recommendations on and/or concurrence with the subject plan. Two copies of said plan were submitted to your office March 19, 1976, and subsequent addendums to the plan were submitted in duplicate to your office March 29 and May 21, 1976.

As far as this office is concerned, the Environmental Analysis of the subject plan is complete. However, the recommendations from your office and the Pueblo of Laguna must be incorporated into the plan and/or Analysis, as might other measures recommended during further review and processing by the Geological Survey. Therefore, we request that you return both copies of the Analysis with the appropriate recommendations. A complete copy of the Analysis will be sent to your office when the plan is finalized. Given adequate notice, we will be available for consultation regarding the plan and analysis should any questions arise.

The responsibilities of the Mining Supervisor, as well as the requirements of the lessee which come under his jurisdiction, for mineral leases on Indian lands are promulgated in the Code of Federal Regulations 25 Part 177 and 30 Part 231. Operations conducted under mineral leases on Indian lands are monitored to assure compliance with the above mentioned regulations and the lease terms.

Dale C. Jones
Mining Engineer
for Acting Area Mining Supervisor

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Enclosures